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MUD CAP AND REVERSE
CIRCULATION DRILLING
FROM A FLOATING DRILLING
RIG USING A SEALED
MARINE RISER §

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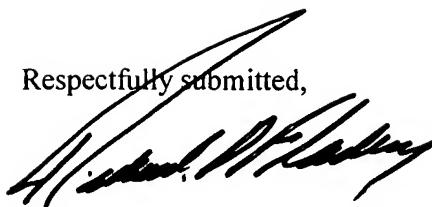
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